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X was filed October 31, 1003 and assigned U.S. Patent Application No. 10/699,336;  
— and was amended by Amendment filed (if applicable); or  
— is attached to this Declaration, Power of Attorney and Power to Inspect;

that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; and

that I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Rule 56(a) [37 C.F.R. §1.56(a)].

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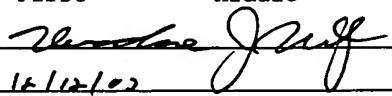
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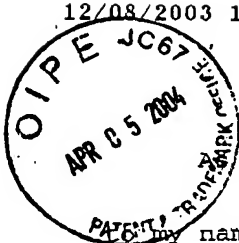
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